David A. DeLorenzo
President and Chief Executive Officer

June 17, 2008

The Honorable John D. Dingell, Chairman U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-6115

The Honorable Bart Stupak, Chairman U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Energy and Commerce Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations Rayburn House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515-6115

Re: Your Food Safety Letter dated May 8, 2008

Dear Chairmen Dingell and Stupak:

As requested by your Committee, this letter will confirm that, in my capacity as President and Chief Executive Officer of Dole Food Company, Inc., I stand behind the May 22, 2008 and June 5, 2008 letters to you from Dole's Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary, C. Michael Carter, to the same extent as if I had signed them myself.

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David A. Delforenko

cc: C. Michael Carter, Dole's Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Jeffrey B. Conner, Dole's Vice President and Associate General Counsel